

of the Legislature; and that the same be paid for out of the contingent fund.

Senator Flanagan moved to amend by striking out the word "ten," and inserting the word "fifteen." Adopted.

The original resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Senator Culberson, the Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, January 14, 1875. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the chaplain. Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

The President announced, that in accordance with the resolution of yesterday, the first business in order would be the election of an engrossing clerk.

The President appointed as tellers Senators Bradley, Friend and Stirman.

Nominations being in order, Senator Camp nominated C. F. Maillot, of Travis county.

Senator Erath nominated H. C. Tulley, of Dallas county.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

C. F. Maillot, eighteen; Tulley, three; Capt. Robert Josselyn, three; — Halbert, one.

Mr. Maillot having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared by the President to have been duly elected engrossing clerk of the Senate.

Mr. Maillot then came forward, and the President administered to him the oath of office.

A message was received from the Governor.

Senator Westfall presented the memorial of Mrs. S. M. Price, of Blanco county, "asking relief." Read first time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Ireland presented the petition of G. D. Gay, of Montgomery county, "in relation to the removal of the county seat of said county." Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Dwyer presented the petition of the citizens of Atascosa county, "in regard to a courthouse and jail for

said county." Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Senator Camp introduced a bill entitled "An act to create, organize and define the powers of the Criminal District Court, in and for the counties of Anderson, Henderson, Kaufman, Rockwall, Smith and Van Zandt, and to prescribe the duties thereof." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Shepard introduced a bill entitled "An act supplemental to 'an act to establish and maintain a system of public free schools in the State of Texas,'" passed April 30, 1873. Read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

Senator Ellis introduced a joint resolution "authorizing the International Railroad Company to institute suit in the district court of Travis county against the State of Texas, for the purpose of determining the constitutionality of the charter of said company, and the validity of its claim against the State of Texas for bonds." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Ledbetter introduced a bill entitled "An act making an appropriation to pay contingent expenses of the second session of the Fourteenth Legislature." Read first time.

On motion of Senator Westfall, the rules were suspended, bill read second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Swift, the rules were further suspended, bill read third time and passed, by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators Allison, Baker, Bradshaw, Bradley, Burton, Camp, Culberson, Dillard, Davenport, Dwyer, Ellis, Erath, Flanagan, Friend, Hobby, Ireland, Joseph, Ledbetter, Morris, Moore, Parker, Randall, Shepard, Stirman, Swift and Westfall—26.

NAYS—None.

Senator Ireland introduced a bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Guadalupe Cotton Manufactory." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Davenport introduced a bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to establish and maintain a system of public free schools in the State of Texas.'" passed April 30, 1873. Bill read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

Senator Westfall introduced a bill entitled "An act to

repeal an act entitled 'an act to repeal sections 30 and 31 of an act entitled an act to organize the courts of justices of the peace and county courts, and to define their jurisdiction and duties,' " approved August 13, 1870; and to re-enact the repealed sections of the above recited act. Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Allison introduced a joint resolution "making an appropriation to pay all arrearages due school teachers, or any species of arrearages due, or incurred by the school system of the State of Texas, up to the first day of January, 1874." Read first time.

Senator Allison moved a suspension of the rules to put the bill on its second reading. Lost.

The bill was then referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Friend offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the secretary of the Senate be instructed to procure from the State department copies of the general and special laws of the Thirteenth Legislature, and the general and special laws of the first session of the Fourteenth Legislature; and also copies of Paschal's Digest; and to furnish each Senator with one copy of each of the above named books. Adopted.

A message was received from the House, announcing the passage of House bill No. 534, "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to reorganize the Seventh, Eighth and Eleventh Judicial Districts of the State of Texas, and to fix the time for holding the courts therein' " approved April 17, 1874.

Senator Moore introduced a joint resolution, authorizing the State Treasurer to employ an additional clerk. Read first time and referred to Committee on Comptroller and Treasurer's Office.

Senator Dwyer introduced a bill, entitled "An act to limit the amount to be issued in bonds of the State to the International Railroad Company, and to provide for the payment of the same, and to adjust all matters of difference between the State and said company." Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senator Culberson introduced a bill entitled "An act to amend 'An act prescribing the mode of proceeding in district courts in matters of probate,' " approved August 15, 1870. Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Ellis offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee of the Senate

be and are hereby instructed and required to report at the earliest practicable day a bill, consolidating into one act, all laws in reference to the fees of judicial and other public officers, with such alterations and amendments as the committee may deem advisable. Adopted.

Senator Hobby introduced a joint resolution, "providing for a constitutional convention, to assemble in the city of Austin, on the 22d of March, 1875." Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

The message of the Governor was taken up and read. It was as follows:

To the Honorable Senate of the State of Texas:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully ask your advice and consent to the following appointments, to-wit: A. J. Hood, of Parker county, Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial District; D. M. Prendergast, of Limestone county, Judge of the Thirty-third Judicial District; Gustave Cook, of Harris county, Judge of the Criminal District Court of Galveston and Harris counties.

Very respectfully,

RICHARD COKE, Governor.

On motion of Senator Flanagan, the Senate went into executive session.

IN SENATE.

The secretary was instructed to inform his Excellency, the Governor, that the Senate does advise and consent to the appointments named in his message.

On motion of Senator Westfall, the use of the Senate chamber was granted this evening for a meeting of the Veterans of the Mexican war.

Senator Dillard introduced a bill, entitled "An act to provide for the proper disbursement of money raised by taxation, for the purpose of building school houses, under the provisions of the twenty-third section of 'An act to establish and maintain a system of Public Free Schools,'" approved April 30, 1873. Read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

On motion of Senator Hobby, Senator Ledbetter was added to Committee on Public Buildings.

Senator Ledbetter offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate be in-

structed to procure a suitable stove and pipe for the Senate chamber, and that the cost of the same be paid out of the contingent expense fund. Adopted.

On motion of Senator Ireland, the Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

FOURTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,)
AUSTIN, January 15, 1875.)

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the chaplain. Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator Shepard, for Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Hon. R. B. Hubbard, President of the Senate:

SIR:—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 449, "An act to legalize the order of the county court of Galveston county, made January 4th, 1875, and to authorize the issuance of county bonds therein provided for," and find the same correctly engrossed. Respectfully, etc.,

SETH SHEPARD, for Committee.

Senator Bradley introduced a bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Beaumont, Corsicana and Fort Worth Railroad Company.'" Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

The hour for the special order having arrived, to-wit: the consideration of Senate concurrent resolution No. 447, "Condemning the interference with and destruction of the State Government of Louisiana by the Federal administration," it was taken up and read second time.

Senator Joseph moved that the further consideration of the concurrent resolution be postponed until Wednesday next, at 11 o'clock A. M.; made special order for that day and hour, and that one hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate. Adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators Bradley, Burton, Camp, Culberson,